

REMARKS

This communication is considered fully responsive to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2005, as well as the Examiner telephone conference of May 22, 2006. Claims 1-20 were examined and stand rejected. Claims 1, 2, 14 and 17-19 are hereby amended. No claims are cancelled or added. Respectfully requested is a reconsideration of claims 1-20.

Claim Objections

Claims 14 and 17 stand objected to for certain informalities identified in the Office Action of September 13, 2005. Applicant has hereby amended claims 14 and 17 to include the suggestions of the Examiner, thus these objections have been obviated and can be withdrawn. Action to this end is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1 and 3-6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being purportedly unpatentable over the U.S. Patent, No. 2,112,866, to Segal (hereafter "Segal") in view of Thorn, U.S. Patent No. 5,983,026 (hereafter "Thorn").

Claims 1-4 and 6-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being purportedly unpatentable over de la Rocha, U.S. Patent No. 5,330,056 (hereafter "de la Rocha") in view of Stoll, U.S. Patent No. 1,163,183 (hereafter "Stoll").

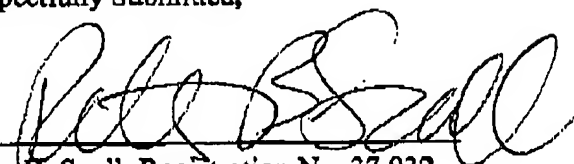
Claim 5 stands rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being purportedly unpatentable over de la Rocha in view of Stoll, and further in view of Avery, U.S. Patent, No. 102,471 (hereafter "Avery").

Applicant respectfully submits that these rejections are fully obviated and/or traversed.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments hereof and reconsideration of the outstanding objections and/or rejections and issuance of a notice of allowance for claims 1-20 in this matter.

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